opinion that as the Brigadier General for this district is very c. s. c. distant & as no Field officers are yet appointed for the two Battalions of this County in case of an attack some temporary power ought to be vested to direct the operation of the several companies. They submit it to your wisdom to determine whether this temporary power might not be lodged by you in their body who you may depend will exercise it for the good of the Country in General to the utmost of their power and abilities. Capt Veazy has now got all his company collected here and no provision has been made for them by the Commissary, the Committee think it their duty to mention this circumstance that you may give the necessary orders therein in the meantime the Committee will cooperate with Capt Veazy & do every thing in their power to supply the men with provisions.

Signed by order W. Hall Clk. Com^{tee}

[Fauntleroy to Council.]

To the Honorable the Council of Safety of Maryland:

Inclosed is a commission of M^r John Hynson he has resigned, as his removal out of the neighbourhood, has made it inconvenient to attend as ensign & the company has elected James Black Sen^r in his room as ensign of the said Company of Militia.

I am gentlemen Y^r most obedient humble Serv^t 13th March 1776. John Fauntleroy.

Sir. I must give up my Commission as I have moved, out of the neighbourhood and hope you will excuse me, as nothing but the ill convenience of attending obliges me to give up the Commission. I send up the commission by your boy & hope this will excuse me from attending by you. And the Company & I am extremely obliged to them all for their good will, and acknowledge myself in debt a handsome treat to the Company which shall be performed the first opportunity so conclude your most obt Humble Servt

John Hynson.

March 4th 1776. To Capt John Fauntleroy:

If you dont chuse to gratifie the Company in their choice Richard Keene son of William Ensⁿ is, in the Capt^s Judgment & mine a more suitable man for the place.

Rd Mason.